

CITY OF MILPITAS
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMISSION
MILPITAS CITY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING ROOM
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
April 5, 2006

**I.
Call to Order
and Roll Call**

Chair Abelardo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Fang, Lind, Luna, Mohsin, Queenan, and Ranker
Alternates present were Commissioners Choudhury, H. Pham, Villegas, and Wan
Absent: Commissioners Lee and M. Pham

**II.
Seating of
Alternates**

Alternates seated: Villegas and Choudhury

**III.
Pledge of
Allegiance**

Commissioner Queenan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV.
Approval of
Agenda**

MOTION to approve the Agenda to include a sign up sheet for Item A under New Business for volunteering to attend other Commission meetings.

M/S: Mohsin, Luna

Ayes: 9

**V.
Approval of
Minutes**

MOTION to approve the minutes of March 1, 2006. There was a correction on the address for Rosewater Hall – 1180 Murphy Avenue not 180 Murphy Avenue. Commissioner Lind stated that the minutes should reflect that there was a lengthy discussion on the CDBG funding and came to a consensus on supporting staff recommendation because the funds were so limited.

M/S: Ranker, Mohsin

Ayes: 9

**VI.
Announcements**

Staff stated that Form 700 needs to be filed. The Commissioners that need to submit their forms are Abelardo, Fang, Queenan, M. Pham, Villegas, Choudhury, and Wan.

Staff announced the July 4th celebration.

Staff stated that in February the Commission directed staff to submit a memo on a quarterly basis to City Council on the Community Outreach response. There have only been 7 responses. Staff will prepare a consent item, which would be a memo to City Council including copies of the responses.

Commissioner Mohsin announced the State of the City Address on April 6, 2006. He also announced the Sunnyhills neighborhood garage sale on April 8, 2006.

Commissioner Queenan announced that the Neighborhood Watch program website has been updated; website is "ScanUSA.com".

**VII.
Public Forum**

Chair Abelardo invited members of the audience to address the Commission on any item not on the agenda. There were no requests.

**VIII.
Liaison Reports**

a. City Council

Councilmember Polanski introduced herself to the Commission and gave a brief summary of the most recent City Council items. The State of the City will be on April 6, 2006 with a welcome at 6 pm and the actual ceremony and speech to begin at 6:30 pm. The City budget meeting will be on April 10, 2006 at 6:30 pm at Burnett Elementary School, Rancho Middle School, Russell Middle School, and Zanker Elementary School. Besides coming to the actual budget hearings, this will be an opportunity for the citizens to provide feedback on staff recommendations. Some of the staff recommendation cuts were the crossing guards, the after school stay and play program.

Commissioner Mohsin asked about the process for hiring a new City Manager and Police Chief. Councilmember Polanski stated that the City Council by majority allocated \$45,000 to hire a recruiter to seek the process to hire a new City Manager and Police Chief. There is a timeline to begin June 5, 2006 and to conclude around September 2006.

**IX.
New Business**

a. Sign-up Sheet and attendance by CAC members of other Commission meetings to request that they give the CAC input on, or assistance with, the Community Outreach Program.

Chair Abelardo asked the CAC to attend more than one Commission meeting. Staff circulated a sign-up sheet to each of the CAC members. Commissioner Lind stated that this was not an agenda item that CAC members were to show up at a Commission meeting.

b. Support of Arbor Day Proclamation and Participation in Arbor Day event.

Chair Abelardo stated that the Arbor Day Celebration would be held on Saturday, April 29, 2006 at 9:00 am at Dixon Landing Park. He asked for volunteers for the Arbor Day Celebration and park clean up events. Commissioners Mohsin, Choudhury, and Heidi Pham volunteered for the Arbor Day Celebration. Staff stated that they received an email from Carol Randisi indicating that there would be no booths or fanfare at the event. Chair Abelardo stated he would accept the Arbor Day proclamation at the April 18, 2006 City Council meeting along with Vice-Chair Lee. Chair Abelardo also volunteered for the tree planting.

c. Subcommittee/Task Force Status Reports.

Community Outreach (Lee and Queenan)

Commissioner Queenan stated that he delivered the outreach forms to the Police Department. The Police Department would distribute the forms to all their Neighborhood Watch meetings. He requested staff to agendaize a presentation at the May CAC meeting on the Neighborhood Watch program. Commissioner Queenan asked each Commissioner to be present at one of the Community Meetings that would be held on April 10, 2006. Commissioner Choudhury will attend Zanker Elementary School, Commissioners H. Pham and Mohsin will attend Russell Middle School, Commissioners

Ranker and Abelardo will attend Rancho Middle School, and Commissioner Queenan will attend Burnett Elementary School.

Commissioner Mohsin stated that he distributed the outreach forms to the police sub-station at the Great Mall. Commissioner Queenan stated that the Commission could distribute the community outreach forms at the community meetings.

Commissioner Queenan talked about the Town Hall Meeting regarding Charter City. Commissioner Mohsin asked when the Town Hall Meeting would take place. Commissioner Lind stated that the CAC Work Plan under "Town Hall Meeting" shows that the CAC would conduct a Town Hall Meeting in the fall of election years. Commissioner Mohsin requested that it should have been a bulleted item. Commissioner Lind stated that this would be a discussion on the meeting. Commissioner Queenan suggested agendaizing this topic for a future meeting. He would like to have the Town Hall Meeting before the June 6th vote. Commissioner Mohsin felt that this would be very challenging due to the timeframe. Commissioner Lind stated that the work plan states that the Town Hall Meeting would be correlated with elections. Commissioner Mohsin stated that the Town Hall Meetings in the past were not very successful and this is such a short window he felt that there weren't be a big response. Commissioner Queenan stated that if the topic were important enough people would come out for the Town Hall Meeting. Councilmember Polanski suggested agendaizing this topic for the May CAC meeting and have the subcommittee do some research relative to potential dates, times, and groups.

MOTION to agendaize the discussion on the Town Hall Meeting regarding the Charter City issue.

M/S: Queenan, Mohsin

Ayes: 9

**X.
Adjournment**

Chair Abelardo adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. to the May 3, 2006 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne Andrade, Recording Secretary